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PROJECT FACT SHEET

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, DELAWARE RIVER TO CHESAPEAKE BAY, DE & MD

March 2005

CONGRESSIONAL INFO: Sen. Biden DE, Sen. Carper DE, Rep. Castle DE-AL, Sen. Mikulski MD, Sen. Sarbanes MD, Rep. Gilchrest MD-1, Rep. Ehrlich MD-2

ACTIVITY: O & M, General

TYPE: Navigation

LOCATION: The Project connects the Delaware River to the Chesapeake Bay from Reedy Point, below Delaware City to the upper Chesapeake Bay.

STUDY/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project was authorized in 1935 (HD 201, 72nd cong., 1st Session) and modified in 1935 (R&H Com Doc 11, R&H Docs 18 and 24, 73rd Cong., 2nd Session), in 1939 (PL 310, 76th Cong., 1st Session and in 1954 (SD 123, 83rd Cong., 2nd Session). The waterway, a channel 35 feet deep and 450 feet wide, extends from Reedy Point on the Delaware River about 41 miles below Philadelphia, PA through a landcut westward to Elk River thence following Elk River and the upper Chesapeake Bay to deep water near Pooles Island, including four high level fixed highway bridges, a vertical lift railroad bridge, a bascule drawbridge, extensions of the entrance jetties at Reedy Point, enlargement of the anchorage and mooring basin in Back Creek, and maintenance of Delaware City Branch channel (8' x 50' x 2 miles) and basin.

PROJECT STATUS: In FY2005 funds were added by Congress; \$500,000 for maintenance costs of the SR-1 Bridge and \$100,000 for plans & specifications of repairs for the Summit Bridge approaches. The remaining funds are for the normal operations and maintenance of the canal and bridges.

FINANCIAL DATA:

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<u>WORK ITEMS</u>	<u>FY 2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006*</u>
	12,853.0	14,994.0	14,400.0	11,475.0

*** President's Budget**

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: Final Environmental Impact Statement was completed on 11 October 1974. Disposal of dredged material will be placed in diked upland or designated overboard disposal areas in accordance with Section 404 (b) of the Clean Water Act.

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